

## House Resolution No. 3975

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize milestone events of individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize the City of Louisiana, Missouri, which is observing its 190<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a celebration scheduled for Saturday, August 30, 2008, featuring a street dance and fireworks at the river front; and

**Whereas**, Louisiana was settled in 1816 and incorporated in 1818, and it is the oldest town in Pike County; and

**Whereas**, the town is named after Louisiana Basye, who was so named because she was the first child born in St. Louis, Missouri, after the Louisiana Purchase in 1804 and whose family moved to Pike County in 1818 when she was fourteen years old; and

**Whereas**, located on the banks of the Mississippi, Louisiana boasts nearly 4,000 residents, many of whom are descendants of the early settlers; and

**Whereas**, Louisiana's streets are lined with numerous beautiful antebellum homes revealing their architectural charm of years past, many of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri State Department of Natural Resources has noted that Louisiana has "the most intact Victorian Streetscape in the state of Missouri"; and

**Whereas**, Louisiana is one of three communities forming the 50 Miles of Art corridor, the other two being Hannibal and Clarksville, which are linked by history and heritage and where many fine artists and craftsmen and artisans use their skills to create masterpieces; and

**Whereas**, Louisiana is famous for the Delicious apple developed there and cultivated throughout the world; and

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to the residents of Louisiana on the illustrious occasion of their 190<sup>th</sup> anniversary, with our very best wishes for continued success, prosperity, and happiness; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the City of Louisiana.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3975, adopted August 27, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker